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RE: Docket No. RM 2017-12

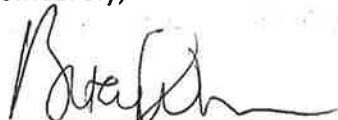
Dear Commissioners:

Physicians Committee for Responsible Medicine, a nonprofit organization has helped hundreds of thousands of people prevent or reverse serious medical conditions by helping them adopt healthy plant based diets. We also work to improve chemical testing, pharmaceutical testing, and the medical training of physicians by advocating for the use of human-relevant models. On behalf of my organization and everyone we serve, I am concerned about the sudden need to raise postal nonprofit marketing mail rates.

We rely heavily on the U.S. Mail to raise funds and communicate with our members and supporters. A postal rate will have the immediate impact on our work of reducing the funds we have to fulfill our mission. And because higher postal rates will increase our total costs to acquire new members, we may be forced to cut back on mailings. That volume reduction will not only hurt us, but I assume won't be good for the USPS either.

Please do not change the current system for calculating nonprofit rates -- it will impact my organization and thousands of other organizations capability to fulfill our charitable missions and improve the lives of so many people.

Sincerely,



Betsy Wason
Vice-President of Development
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